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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR OVIP EI US (COSGRAVE LIAM)

SUBJECT: OFFICIAL VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER COSGRAVE

1. WE HAD A SESSION THIS MORNING WITH PAUL KEATING, SECRETARY OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, WHO, FOR THE TIME BEING AT LEAST, IS THE FOCAL POINT FOR COORDINATION OF PRIME MINISTER COSGRAVE'S VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES. SPECIFIC RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS RAISED IN PARA FOUR REFTEL WILL BE FORTHCOMING LATER TODAY.

2. FOREIGN MINISTRY RECOMMENDATION TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE WILL BE THAT DATE AND TIME OF PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT IS ACCEPTABLE. THIS WOULD BE 4:00 P.M LOCAL TIME THURSDAY FEB. 5 AND IS SUITABLE FOR PRIME TIME MEDIA EXPOSURE HERE. THE IRISH MAY WELL WISH TO DIDDLE THE TEXT OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT FOR RELEASE IN IRELAND, FOR EXAMPLE, THEY WILL CALL THE PRIME MINISTER BY HIS IRISH TITLE "TAOISEACH", AND THEY WILL CALL HIM TAOISEACH LIAM COSGRAVE OF IRELAND RATHER THAN TAOISEACH OF THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND. WE EXPECT THEY WILL ASK US TO CALL HIM PRIME MINISTER LIAM COSGRAVE OF IRELAND IN OUR ANNOUNCEMENT.

3. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAY MAY BE OF INTEREST TO THE DEPARTMENT FOLLOWS. TENTATIVE THINKING ON THE MAKEUP OF THE DELEGATION IS: TAOISEACH AND MRS. LIAM COSGRAVE; FOREIGN MINISTER AND MRS. GARRET FITZGERALD; ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TAOISEACH DERMOT NALLY; GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES OFFICER TED NEELAN; AIDE DE CAMP LT. COLONEL DALY;  
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ASSISTANT PRIVATE SECRETARY TO THE TAOISEACH M.F. MURRAY;

SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS PAUL KEATING;  
FIRST SECRETARY (INFORMATION) AMCONGEN NEW YORK MICHAEL LILLIS;  
MINISTER FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE JUSTIN KEATING (PART OF TRIP);  
TWO BODYGUARDS.

4. KEATING SAID IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT THE ENTIRE SIX-DAY VISIT (MARCH 16 - 22) WAS "OFFICIAL". HE OPINED THAT POST-WASHINGTON STOPS IN PHILADELPHIA, NEW YORK, CHICAGO AND BOSTON MIGHT BE TOO AMBITIOUS BUT WAS AWAITING THE RECOMMENDATION OF AMBASSADOR MOLLOY. OTHER EVENTS ON THE SCHEDULE TENTATIVELY INCLUDE A DINNER SATURDAY, MARCH 20 IN NEW YORK HOSTED BY THE AMERICAN-IRISH COUNCIL OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY AND AN APPEARANCE ON THE TODAY SHOW THURSDAY, MARCH 18. KEATING SAID THAT AMBASSADOR MOLLOY HAD BEEN APPROACHED BY AN UNNAMED LEADER IN CONGRESS ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF ADDRESSING A JOINT SESSION.  
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